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REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

The initiatory step to organize the Republican party of Burleigh County, was timely and well taken at the Caucus last Saturday evening. The appointment of a County Committee was the first thing to be attended to, and the gentlemen selected for that committee, Messrs. Raymond, Stoyell and Flannery, are a guarantee that the organization will be perfected to a working efficiency, and ready for business whenever a party expression is desirable, or can be of use. It may not always be best to draw party lines too severely where nothing but local interests are at stake, and where party principles cannot enter into the computation in obtaining the result desired, and where fitness, and executive ability alone should be sought for, but it is eminently proper as well as the duty of those who adhere to the great predominating party of the Union, as well as in the Territory, to place themselves upon record according to the recognized usages of all political organizations. Although the citizens of a Territory can have no direct voice in the election of a President, they cannot afford to be silent lookers on in a Presidential campaign, and give no expression to their sympathies for candidates of their choice in the field. Dakota is now represented in the lower House of Congress by a most able and staunch Republican, and one that is particularly alive to the interests of Northern Dakota, and it is due to him, as well as to the party throughout the Territory, that in this rapidly advancing county, with its brilliant prospects ahead the Republicans should heartily co-operate in all future movements, and the only way to be prepared for it is to organize.

In view of the National convention which is to assemble in Cincinnati, O., on the 14th of June next, to which Dakota is accredited two delegates, it is presumed that the County Committee will take early measures to send delegates to a Territorial Convention, which has not yet been called, preliminary to the meeting in Cincinnati. Subcommittees should be appointed in the different wards and voting precincts within the limits of the county, and all these matters will require the early assembling of a county convention, under a call by the county committee. We have no doubt that under the auspices of a perfected organization the Republican Party of Burleigh County will so conduct its affairs as to be an honorable auxiliary to the great national party to which the country must still look for wise administration and a safe solution of the yet undisposed of financial problem.

BISMARCK S. ILL AHEAD.

Well gentlemen of Cheyenne, Sioux City, Yankton and Omaha, how are you going to get to the Big Horn and Rose Bud mines, the richness of which are now established? Gen. Sheridan has for a long time said there was no doubt but that rich diggings were to be found in that country. That fact is now established beyond a doubt, and Bismarck is less than two hundred miles from Rose Bud where the big nuggets were lately found, while five hundred miles is the nearest any of you can make it from your localities. Had you not better get the Chicago and Northwestern to get you up some maps, and make every alternate section Bad Lands, as they did on the Bismarck route to the Black Hills in their late maps? Four reliable gentlemen that came over California Joe's route are willing to swear that there is not one mile of bad lands, but a fine level country with wood, grass and water the entire distance. Come,

get out another map, and make Bad Lands all the way to the Rose Bud. No, don't do it, for General Ouster has been over nearly all the routes, and he may say you are mistaken.

Can't you move that country down a little nearer to your places (on some of those maps?) Perhaps you had better tell people there are no gold diggings on the Rose Bud, Powder river, Tongue river or Big Horn. No, that won't do; for they are all in Montana, and that country is too well known, and those big nuggets are against that talk, and parties are already arriving in Bismarck en-route for the Big Horn country, going upon reliable information from friends already in that country. Gents, what can you say? Had you not better tell the truth, and say that via Bismarck is the only available route to the Big Horn country and the Black Hills, and that the chances are good for the cars to be running into the Big Horn country inside of one year? We are sorry for you, but you know how it is yourselves. Facts are stubborn things.

THE NIGHT IS PAST

And Bismarck breaks forth into bright and glorious day. City property has advanced nearly fifty per cent. in the past few days. The opening of the road six weeks earlier than usual; the Northern Pacific to be extended into Montana the present season; the rich discoveries daily being made in the Black Hills; an Indian war; three thousand extra troops; at least ten thousand people to pass through Bismarck for the Black Hills; the number of capitalists already on the way here to establish business, and the advantages of the Bismarck route to the Colorado over all other routes make it a fixed fact that the people of this place are about to witness the liveliest times ever seen on the American continent. And Montana having come gloriously to the front and extended a helping hand to the Northern Pacific, together with the grading of five hundred miles and the laying of two hundred miles of track this season into the very heart of the richest mineral, agricultural and grazing country the world ever knew, will bring the stock of the Northern Pacific to par, if not to a premium, and build the road through to the Pacific coast inside of three years. And then the great monopoly of the age (the U. P. & C. P. R. R.) will no longer quietly the Government and have everything their own way, but will have to succumb to a much better road, and a road running through a country every mile of which is available for mineral, agricultural or grazing purposes. It will bring an immense immigration along the entire line, and establish the fact that the Northern Pacific is the banner road of the continent. Parties are already leaving the Union Pacific and coming to Bismarck to better their condition, and as the road progresses new towns and cities will spring up and become permanent. The Northern Pacific is the road that the Government should long since have taken in hand and put through, and the immense sales of land would have gone far toward paying the national debt. From the time the road enters Montana until it leaves it there are not twenty miles which are not rich in minerals. We are glad that Montana has at last awakened to a realization of her own interests. Three cheers, with three times three, for Montana!

Information has been received that Bear Wolf, the Crow chief, has been at Fort Pease, at the mouth of the Big Horn, that he had a battle with the Sioux, killing six, and that about forty or fifty Sioux are around Fort Pease, killing the inhabitants at every opportunity, five persons having already been wounded.

Rev. H. H. Murray has an article in the Golden Rule, advocating lying in bed in the morning, but there seems to be no particular necessity for us to pace it in our hat.

By Telegraph.

WASHINGTON.

Wisconsin Favor Blaine and Indiana Promise Morton For the Next President. Democratic Convention to Be Held in St. Louis, June 27th, 1876. Etc., Etc., Etc.

THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—In the Senate, yesterday, Senator Windom moved to extend from operation the bill designated to punish trespass upon Indian reservation—all of Sioux reservation between the north and south forks of the Cheyenne and east of the west line of Wyoming. A long discussion followed, which was not concluded.

THE HOUSE.

Representative Banning introduced a bill providing for a general reduction of the army, and consolidation of the staff corps. The bill fixes the number of cavalry regiments at eight; infantry, thirteen; total number of enlisted men, twenty thousand. It abolishes artillery regiments and creates a corps of artillery, consisting of five light batteries and sixty heavy batteries; reduces the number of aids for general officers; consolidates the quartermaster and subsistence departments, and fixes the monthly pay of first Sergeants at forty dollars; repeals the law allowing women to accompany troops as laundresses. The bill was referred to committee on military affairs.

POLITICS.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 24.—The Wisconsin Republican Convention last Tuesday elected delegates to the National Convention, who were favorable, but not pledged, to Blaine.

The Indiana Republican Convention met the same day, and promised Morton for President, and nominated Godlove S. Orth for Governor.

National Democratic committee has called a National Convention, to be held on June 27th, at St. Louis.

ARGUMENT ENDED.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—The arguments in Babcock's trial ended last evening. The case will go to the jury to-day.

BECKER-BOWEN.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 24.—Bowen presented to the Plymouth examining committee, last night, his statement of evidence that Beecher has been guilty of adultery and perjury. The statement has been kept secret. A singular and unexplained incident occurred at the close of Bowen's reading. He then sought to leave the room, but White turned the key and called to others to lock the back doors; but Bowen, however, made a rush and escaped. White's purpose probably was to detain Bowen and subject him to a cross-examination.

Michael Murphy, already twice sentenced to be hanged in New York for the murder of Mailla Hujas in the summer of 1874 has to-day again been sentenced to death April 7th.

The steamship Adriatic has been libelled by the owners of the ship Harvest Queen, sunk in the Irish channel. Damages \$225,000. The ship was released on a bond of \$300,000.

The Cheyenne Leader estimates that 10,000 people have gone to the Black Hills mining region during the last three months. They have come from all directions—from the south, Utah, California, Nevada, Idaho and Montana.

BABCOCK IS ACQUITTED.

BISMARCK DELEGATION HEARD FROM.

BABCOCK ACQUITTED.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 25.—After about two hours' consultation, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. Babcock and his friends were much affected. He shook hands with each of the jurors, and then left with his friends for the hotel, being heartily cheered by the crowd waiting outside for the verdict. Up to 10 o'clock there was a continual succession of callers at the hotel to tender congratulations, including Sherman, Harney and other military men and citizens of all classes. Two serenades were given during the evening, at one of which Judge Krum spoke to the crowd, attributing Babcock's escape from both suspicion and conviction largely due to his previous well established character.

MOSE BEECHER.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 25.—The advisory council has adjourned, having sustained Plymouth church's action in dropping Mrs. Moulton and other members. Council, however, recommended another and thorough inquiry into all charges against Beecher, by a committee of five, to be selected from twenty distinguished Congregationalists to be named by the council.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Feb. 25.—A sleeping car was thrown from the track on the Harlem railroad, near Wallingford. Bissell, proprietor of the Sherman House, Chicago, and his son perished in the flames. The father escaped just as the cars took fire, but, going back to rescue his son, both were burned to death.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 26.—I arrived from Washington this morning and regard the trip as being very successful. I saw the President, Secretary of War and Secretary of the Interior. I am satisfied that no interference is contemplated by the Indians. The Department has fully determined to kill or capture Sitting Bull and his band. The feeling on the Black Hills question is so strong and the pressure so great that Congress will take immediate steps for the opening of the Hills, and until Congress acts the administration will take no action. The leading Democrats have taken hold of the matter in the House, and also the leading Republicans in the Senate and the matter will be pushed at the earliest possible moment. The construction train is reported at 11th siding this morning and will get through in two or three days. We will all be home on the first train; Custer is also waiting here.

C. A. L.

EXCITEMENT IN NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 28.—The city is excited over an attempt to impeach Gov. Kellogg. The majority in the House committee reported impeachment resolutions last Saturday, based upon the divison of state funds to pay the interest on the city debt. The minority report is that the committee made no investigation whatever. The Republicans will filibuster to prevent these resolutions passing, but the conservatives are confident of passing them.

REORGANIZING.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28.—The bondholders of the Lake Superior & Mississippi Railway have agreed upon a plan of reorganizing proposed by their committee in January.

BOYD.

LONDON, Feb. 28.—Robert Watson Boyd will go to America during the coming Regatta session with the champion four-oared scow from the Thames river, Boyd being a stroke oarsman.

"STILL THEY COME."

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Phil Sheridan was safely delivered of a daughter on Friday night.

The steamship Egypt is ashore on the Egremont beach on the river Mersey. No damages is apprehended.

THE FEVER STILL RAGES.

Large Party Coming on First Train for the Gold Fields.

Large Freight to be Shipped via

Bismarck for the Black Hills.

Parties Coming From all Points.

Holiday to Establish Stage Lines.

BIG BLACK HILLS EXCITEMENT.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 1st.—Several car loads of freight leave this morning for Bismarck and the Black Hills from this city and large quantities from St. Paul. Several parties also leave Thursday morning and will arrive in Bismarck Saturday evening. Greater interest is now exhibited than at any previous time. Miners are being ticketed through from Minneapolis and St. Paul to the Hills, via Bismarck, with one hundred pounds luggage and fifteen days rations, for forty dollars. Railroad fare from Chicago to Bismarck \$31 from Chicago to Cheyenne \$20.

Large parties forming at Wells, Kas., Anoka, and other Minnesota points, which will leave in a few days. Other parties reported in Missouri, Iowa and Canada, all pointing for Bismarck.

Ben Holliday, a California millionaire, and stage man, will put on stock for Bismarck and Black Hills stage and transportation line, but Holliday has greater faith in the Big Horn region and business. Custer, Lounsbury and others will leave Thursday morning for Bismarck.

NOTES AND NEWS.

Bullion increased in bank of England £370,000 the past week.

A fire at Rutland, Vt., destroyed \$100,000 worth of business property.

Specie in the bank of France increased 18,770,000 francs the past week.

Butt, Davis and Cardoza will be subject to impeachment trials by the Mississippi legislature.

The wife, son and sister of Winslow, the Boston forger, left Rotterdam for London last evening.

A convention of nursery men of America will be held in Chicago on the second Monday in June.

No information has been received by the president confirming the reported resignation of Minister Schenck.

It is announced in official circles that the California mine will begin paying dividends in May, probably \$3.

Jacob Bright, radical, has been elected to Parliament, Manchester polling 22,535 votes, against 20,974 for Powell, conservative.

A lady named Miss Moore, a passenger on the Rosa Miller, from Pine Bluff, fell overboard thirty-five miles below Little Rock, and was drowned.

The grand jury of the United States district court at Chicago has returned two joint indictments against Keeley & Kerwin, distillers, for whisky frauds.

The liberals in Parliament will resist the purchase of the Suez Canal and Gladstone is lecturing through the rural districts and obtaining signatures to a protest.

Three of the murderers of Birch, English resident of Perok, have been captured. One has confessed everything and says nine men perpetrated the murder, and has given their names.

The New York Evening Post says that a duelist is a coward. If Mr. Greeley was alive he would add: "And a horse thief; go West young man."

Charley Ross is in Levenworth. He has a brother John and sister Kate, and his six foot father says he'd like to see 'em take Charley to Philadelphia.